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Classified By: Political Military Counselor J. Liam Wasley for reason 1
.4 (b) and (d)

[1](#)1. (C) On January 25, Poloff delivered ref A points to MFA Office Director for the Gulf States, Minister Stefano Queirolo Palmas. Palmas commented that Yemen's problems are closely linked to instability and underdevelopment in the whole region, especially Somalia and other East African countries as detailed in the Italian paper that was shared in Rome and Washington last week (ref B). He also noted that GCC countries are major stakeholders in the Friends of Yemen (FOY) initiative and have a crucial role and responsibility in making it a success. FM Frattini will attend the January 27 FOY London meeting.
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